**Review of adverse effects on Indian industries**

† 779. SHRI E K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister. ©^COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to reviewthe adverse-effects on the Indian industries as a result of lifting of import-export restrictions under the World Trade agreement;

(b) if so, the names of such worst-affected industries which have been brought to the notice of Goverment; and

(c) by when Government propose to complete this review?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLIMARAN): (a) to (c) Representations have been received from certain sections of domestic industry expressing their apprehensions about the likely adverse *impact* of import restrictions removal. The industries, which have-represented on the issue, include producers of umbrella, glass/ ceramic products salt, footwear, toy, writing instruments, automotive tyres, marble and edible oil etc.

Government has decided to constitute an Inter-Ministerial Group to study the impact of removal of quantitative restrictions. Besides, a Group of Ministers has been entrusted with the task of suggesting ways and means of empowering the SSI Sector. The group will be suggesting remedial measures from time to time.

**Increase in import duty on edible oil**

† 780.PROF. RAM GOPAL YADAV:
SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representative from edible oil industry have demanded increase *in* import duty edible oil;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken or propose to take any decision on the said demand; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and what will beits effect on the oil producers in the country in the import duty is not increased?

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.